

## **News Release**

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## Water Supply Committee to Assess Flooding Threat

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The Idaho Water Supply Committee will hold its April meeting later this week in Boise and instead of the usual discussion about drought, members will spend most of their time together talking about potential flooding.

After six straight years of below normal precipitation, Idaho snow pack levels statewide are normal or above normal and still building in many locations.

Governor Dirk Kempthorne last week declared a statewide disaster emergency because of flooding caused by above average spring rains and heavy runoff.

The Idaho Water Supply Committee includes water managers and hydrology experts from both the private and public sectors. Each will provide data and input used to formulate a comprehensive water supply picture for 2006.

The meeting is open to the public.

When: Thursday, April 20, 2006

Where: IDWR Headquarters, sixth floor conference center, The Idaho Water Center, 322 E.

Front Street, Boise

**Time:** 2:00 p.m.

Parking is located in the Water Center parking garage and there is a fee to park.